

of all the words of tongue or pen, the addressee, it might have been for particular cases. Consult Pettigrew and Lantz, Davis and Wellington.

Excessive keeps accumulating in favor of the retention of the Grand Jury system. Its value to a pragmatic and self-applying court is far superior to that of the ordinary rainbarrel.

The Simpsons and the Pfeifers have had their day in Kansas. A 12,000 plurality for Bryan in 1896 has been turned to 25,000 plurality for McKinley in 1900. The Sunflower State is again in bloom.

Republican property is penetrating into Springfield township. The Springfield Times says: It is rumored that a shoe store will be opened in town in the near future in connection with a candy and peanut stand.

The Globe-Democrat declares that St. Louis is the only large city in the United States where election returns are canvassed on the quiet and the public denied news of the result for eighteen hours. The Democratic machine of St. Louis manufactures majorities to order.

The esteemed Skipjack Transcript makes the count that the "Ants" in Montgomery county cast 4500 votes in the recent election, "enough to defeat a county ticket in 'off' years." Great institutions are never free from peril. A child can destroy the most magnificent building; a single hand can scuttle a ship.

Some idea of the penalty paid for having the reputation of being a philanthropist may be obtained when it is stated that Miss Helen Gould's mail for one week consisted of 1803 letters asking for \$1,548,602 in specific amounts and considerable more unnumbered sums. The amounts ranged from \$1,000,000 to form a colony in Cuba, to \$15 for the purchase of a set of false teeth.

The incoming Legislature must take up the subject of election reform at the earliest possible day. The defects and abuses of the existing laws are patent. Laws will not make men honest, but there are laws which are hard for dishonest men to abuse. Pennsylvania should have the best election system that it is possible to concoct. Many of the States are far in advance of Pennsylvania in the matter of satisfactory ballot laws.

The official list of the fifty-second House of Representatives will be issued in a few days by Clerk McDowell. As now made up, it shows 201 Republicans and 158 Democrats, Silverites and Populists. This gives the Republicans a majority of 45 votes on strictly party questions. The notable feature of the list is the fact that California, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Michigan, Maryland and Wisconsin send solid Republican delegations to the House.

Existent the editor of the Doylestown Republican is taking a recreation after the arduous duties of the exciting political campaign. Wonderful pictorial tales have supplanted the rigorous promulgation of Republican dogmas. Our esteemed inland contemporary declares that herring are plentiful in the Delaware along the Walla townsite county, that residents can be seen on the banks hauling in the bony habitants of the river with ordinary garden rakes. The Republican elaborates its statement by saying: "The fish come up the stream in such vast schools that their fins protrude from shallow water near the shore. With a rake one could secure a big basket of the herring in a short time, while a small net would perform wonders." Wonderful! Wonderful!

There will probably be a considerable increase in both the ratio and the total number of Representatives in Congress under the new apportionment under the twelfth census. Starting with a ratio of one to 30,000 inhabitants, there were 45 Representatives in the first Congress. The eleventh census, in 1890, gave a population of 62,622,250, or an increase of 12,500,000. The ratio was 273,001 people to each Representative, and the House numbered 356 members.

The ratio under the new census probably will reach 200,000. With an increase of 18,226,450 shown by the present census, and letting majority fractions of the apportionment count for an additional number, as has been the custom, this would make an increase of eighteen members in the next House.

Re-apportionment on this basis would cause only four States to lose Representatives. They are Maine and Virginia in the East and Kansas and Nebraska in the West. These States would lose one member each. Any ratio smaller than 200,000, which would save them their full representation, would cause a considerable addition to the membership of the House.

The Democrats are arguing that free silver and anti-imperialism lost them the State of California, but the simple facts are that business men did not want a change, and that the trust growers feared the abolition of the protective duties that have saved them from ruinous competition with foreign fruit. Wipe out these duties on oranges, lemons, raisins, figs and all dried and canned fruits and California's leading industry would be ruined. With the present high price of field labor, protection is the only salvation of the industry that brings in more ready money to California than any other. How vital this protection argument appealed to Californians is shown by the vote of Fresno County, the centre of the raisin industry. Never in the history of the county till this year did Fresno give other than a big Democratic majority, but this election it gave a trifling majority for McKinley.

Expansion in the Philippines also out a large factor in California's vote, as only the blind could fail to see the great increases of trade which has followed the acquisition of the islands and the enormous gains that will come to California by reason of the new markets opened up in Manila. The result of the election has been felt immediately in many ways. The work on hundreds of contracts that was only waiting for McKinley's success to begin is already under way, and all business has responded to the good news in a way that is most encouraging.

Will you look at our stock of clothing? Some facts. Look at these prices: Men's suits, black cheviot, \$5.00—good value. Mixed cheviot—\$6.75 worth \$8; \$7 worth \$9; \$8 worth \$10; \$10 worth \$12.50; \$12 worth \$15. This is our price—why pay \$12 the dollar for the same style coat? It had better save this \$2. Also a full line of boys' and children's clothing. Hats, caps and general furnishing goods. Johnson Bros. 213 Market street, Bristol, Pa.

Richard Oraker has departed for the baths. Before leaving the Tammany chieftain posted orders for the cleansing of the city of New York of its sinks of iniquity. All the baths of Europe and all the perfumes of Arabia will fail to eradicate the foul odors that cling to the prophet of Tammany Hall.

Bryan is surely without honor in his own country. The Nebraska candidate not only failed to win the election, but he also failed to carry his own ward, city county or State.

Chrysanthemums! Chrysanthemums! Out blooms and pot plants of this popular Autumn flower, also primroses, cyclamens, fuchsias, begonias, palms, aucubas, rubber plants, coconuts, Boston sword ferns, umbrellas plants. Fern dishes filled. All kinds of blue-Chinese lilies, hyacinths, tulips, etc., for yards and cemeteries. Plant now, for roses, carnations, fine chrysanthemums, and other flowers, palm leaves, sheaves of wheat, corn, etc. Free delivery, and white corded lettuce, for sale at O'HAMMER'S FLOWER STORE, 213 Market street, Bristol, Pa.

For a number of months I suffered with "CO." On being asked to translate this word, I was told that it was a very encouraging sign, and I commenced treatment at once. I was not long in recovering, and I am now feeling better than I have for many months. I am now feeling better than I have for many months. I am now feeling better than I have for many months.

Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser is sent free on receipt of stamps to pay cost of mailing only. Send 21 one-cent stamps for a book in paper covers, or 31 one-cent stamps in cloth, to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

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